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March 21, 2007

# Faith Alive

Bruce Wilder, Senior Pastor ♦ Mike Easton, Pastor ♦ David Breidenbach, Pastor  
Sunday Worship Services ♦ 8:00 am ♦ 9:30 am ♦ 11:00 am

## Easter Luncheon

**Sunday, April 8, 2007  
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM ~ Fellowship Hall**

**Adults (age 12 & up) - \$5.00**

**Youth (age 3-11) - \$3.00**

**Infants (age 2 years and under) - free**

**Black Forest Ham**

**Au Gratin Potatoes, Green Beans, & Corn  
Rolls with Butter ~ Assorted Cakes**

**Beverages**

**Pre-register by filling out an envelope at the Information  
Center, enclose your payment, and drop in the Easter  
Luncheon box.**

**Registration deadline is Monday, April 2.**

**Guests are welcome!**

**The Easter Luncheon is a Thrivent Matching Funds event.**

## Needed

### Communion Preparer

If you would be interested in preparing Communion for the 11:00 am service and for Easter Sunday, please contact Elizabeth Lederer at 238-8056 or email at [Ichkumshawled@yahoo.com](mailto:Ichkumshawled@yahoo.com).



### Love Children? –Then here's a very rewarding ministry opportunity for you!

We are looking for volunteers to serve as baptism coordinators for the 8:00 and 9:30 am services and a substitute for the 11:00 service. You would arrive 30 minutes before the service, greet the parents, child, and sponsors in the church office,



answer questions, then show them where to sit in the Sanctuary and rehearse what will be said during the baptism. If this valuable ministry appeals to you, please contact Katarina Nagy, FLC Baptism Coordinator, in the church office.



With Spring fast approaching you may want to purchase Sunday flowers that beautify our Sanctuary. These can be for a special occasion, or in memory or honor of a loved one. The cost is \$20 and the sign-up chart is located on the wall in the church office. Thank you.

**Are you still searching for that missing article of clothing?** Maybe we can help! Please check the blue tub behind the Information Center in the Centrum. There are many articles of clothing and more that may be yours. Any items left after **April 1** will be donated to The Storehouse.



Attendance	8:00	9:30	11:00	Total
Sunday, March 4	190	421	221	832
Sunday School, March 4				129
Wednesday Night Ministries, March 7				157
Sunday, March 11	90	312	200	602
Sunday School, March 11				136
Wednesday Night Ministries, March 14				148

## Member Updates

### Baptism

- † Malea KaDee Wiener, daughter of Dallas & Nicaya Wiener, was baptized on March 4.
- † Cole Ford Koski, son of Mark & Meredith Koski, was baptized on March 11.



## Thank You

☐ Dear Pastor Bruce:

I am grateful to you and the supporting staff members for the Memorial Service on February 21 held for my daughter Christina Elena Pierucki, M.D. Also, I greatly appreciate the very loyal attendance of members of the church, Rotarians, and her friends.



It was truly a fitting and proper celebration of her life. She had made a significant contribution to medical science and the patients whose lives were restored by her help and compassionate care.

Your brother in Christ, John Pierucki

☐ To all the wonderful people at Faith Lutheran:

I personally was so blessed to see the overwhelming response of our congregation to the Valentine's gifts to Resources, Inc. The notes of encouragement for this needed expression of love to victims of domestic violence when they are at their lowest point in life were received with humility by the Mission & Service Ministry Team (MSMT).

Included in each bag of goodies were verses of encouragement to remind these women they aren't alone and of their true value in the Lord's eyes. There were 67 prayed-over bags of hand selected items. Resources, Inc. was quite happily surprised with Faith's response to their need. God is so good! The donations that came in after our drive were given to the Albuquerque Rescue Mission, who were also appreciative of our help.

I praise the Lord for being our provider and giving all of us the opportunity to bless so many in His name!

With gratitude,  
Luann Dawson, MSMT member

☐ Dear Congregation of Faith:

Thank you very much for supporting my medical mission trip to Peru. Your kindness and generosity made my fundraisers successful. I look forward to serving the poor of Lima over spring break. Once again, thank you for your support!

Sarah Wyss

## HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

FLC Members...

We Can Use Your Help!!!

The Concert Choir from Association Free Lutheran Bible School (AFLBS) in Minneapolis, MN, will present a concert here at Faith Lutheran on Monday evening, **April 9, 2007**. This AFLBS choir consists of 48 young men and women, age 19 to 22, their conductor, Jerry Nelson and his wife Terri, and the AFLBS Dean, Pastor Joel Rolf. This choir, one of two touring choirs of AFLBS, a two-year, college-equivalent Bible School that began in 1966, has traveled across the United States, Canada, Mexico, Norway and Eastern Europe to share the Gospel message in word and song. This year 90 of the school's 135 students sing in one of their two



touring choirs. To read more about this school, see their website at [www.flbs.org](http://www.flbs.org).

We need our congregational members to provide sleeping accommodations, and breakfast on Tuesday morning, for these 51 people. The choir

will arrive mid-afternoon on Monday, and present their concert that evening. The host families will meet their guests after the concert, take them home and then bring them back to the church Tuesday morning after breakfast.

Naturally, all members of Faith are invited and encouraged to attend this special concert at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 9. Share the joy and bring some friends! Contact Mary Wiese at 296-0762 if you can help.



## New Adult Sunday School Class

Join the new study "Beyond Bridges: An In-depth Look at the Mormons." This study is led by Ross Dudley at both 8:00 am and 9:30 am in Room 6 (new location). It is a follow-up to the "Bridges" seminar held last November.

New members are welcome anytime. No textbook.

## Men's Breakfast

Come on Saturday, **April 14**, at 8:00 am for breakfast and fellowship. Contact Dwayne Knirk at 856-0261 for details.

## Men's Friday Breakfast

The Men's Friday Breakfast meets at 7:00 am every Friday at Joe's Grill on Juan Tabo & Candelaria. Call David Harstad (298-6551) for information.

## Promise Keepers

This men's group meets every Saturday at 7:00 am in the Library for study and fellowship. The first Saturday each month we meet at 7:00 am at

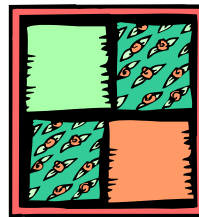
Week's on Louisiana & Montgomery. Contact Tom Stewart at

792-1050 for more information.



## Faith Quilters

Every Wednesday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm, we meet in Room 4/5. You may come for an hour or



two or all afternoon. We can always use filler materials and fabric for tops and bottoms. Please contact Anita Austin at 296-0308 or Marcia Jacobs at 323-2278.

## Thank You for the Yarn!

The Dorcas Needlework Group wishes to thank everyone who brought yarn, but they now have more than enough to create new projects. Please discontinue bringing yarn until further notice.

## Dorcas Needlework Group

Love needlework? Join us every other Monday from 9:30-11:30 am in Room 4/5. Please see the schedule in the Library. New members welcome. Call Joyce Wessendorf at 275-1490.

## Like to walk?

Monday mornings in a northeast city open space? If interested, call Anita at 296-0308.



# Adult Ministry





***Looking to volunteer for something?  
Have a Saturday to spend helping others?***

**Join Faith in helping  
Thrivent Builds and Habitat for Humanity!**

Faith Lutheran has committed to help build a home on two Saturdays this spring. The house is located at 1515 Shadyside Dr. SW in the Isleta Blvd. and Rio Bravo Blvd. area. The groundbreaking was on March 10, 2007.

The two dates for Faith volunteers to help build the home are April 14 and May 5. We will need 20 volunteers and 5 alternates for each date. The work tentatively scheduled for those dates are decking the roof on April 14 and hanging drywall on May 5. Depending on the weather and work completed to date, we may be assisting with other construction. Lunch will be provided to all volunteers. The workday begins at 8:00 am and ends around 3:00 pm.

If you wish to work any other Saturday than those scheduled by Faith, please contact Bob Lehrke, the coordinator for the Thrivent Habitat House. His phone number is 453-2931 and his email is [lehrker@aol.com](mailto:lehrker@aol.com).

**Sign up at the display table in the Centrum.**

**Please list your name, phone number, and email address.**

Remember... only 20 volunteers and  
needed each Saturday, so hurry to get  
your name on the list!





The mission of EEMN is to connect believers together for rebuilding and equipping the Body of Christ in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

## We Need You for Summer Missions to Eastern Europe!

*“Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”*

(Matthew 9:37-38, NRSV)

Has the Lord placed upon your heart the desire to become more proactive in building His kingdom on earth? Would you be willing to meet people in their own culture, while at the same time, share with them the love you have come to know in Christ, which transcends all cultures? Or has God blessed you with an abundance that would allow you to help support these important missions by making a financial gift? Last but not least, are you committed to praying for all of the mission work Faith Lutheran Church is actively supporting?

You *can* make a difference in the lives of people who are truly “harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd” and who are desperately seeking to have a relationship with Jesus Christ!

As a very large congregation, Faith Lutheran has the resources and the numbers of people to reach out into our own local community, as well as regionally and globally. As people of God, we are commanded to be bold in our faith by bringing our gifts of time, prayer, and abundance forward in support of building His kingdom on earth.

Did you know that Faith Lutheran Church actively supports many different missions? Local missions like Habitat for Humanity, The Storehouse, and Roadrunner Food Bank; regional missions to the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission and School, the Baca/Dlo'a yazhi Community School, LCMC, and through the Giving Tree; missions beyond our own borders through programs like Casas por Cristo, Common Hope, and Wheels for the World; and finally, through overseas missions like Voice of the Martyrs, Faith Comes By Hearing, and by supplying missionaries to countries which are just starting to recover from decades of atheistic Soviet rule, through the ministry of the East European Missions Network.

This July, Faith Lutheran Church is sending two mission teams overseas as part of the EEMN summer program. The first team will travel to the Ukraine, July 15-24, and the second team will travel to Slovakia, July 18-31. Several people have already responded to God tugging at their heartstrings and have stepped forward to serve. However, the Ukraine Team still needs 2-3 additional people willing to serve with us in July. The Ukraine team will help full-time missionaries Tomasz & Miriam Chmiel set up their new ministry headquarters in Laviv, Ukraine.

However, *time is of the essence!* It is important that you respond quickly to these EEMN opportunities, as we are already making final travel arrangements and are about to begin training team members for their specific missions this summer!

You *can* make a difference! All that is needed is for you to be bold and step forward in your faith by letting God use the gifts He has given you. Please contact Pr. David Breidenbach or e-mail Pr. Bill Moberly at [pastorbill@eemn.org](mailto:pastorbill@eemn.org) to find out how you can become a member of the Ukraine mission team, and how you can offer your prayers and financial support.

For more information you are encouraged to visit the EEMN website at [www.eemn.org](http://www.eemn.org).

In His service,

David Breidenbach, Assistant Pastor



## Submit Project Ideas

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans came into being when Aid Association for Lutherans and Lutheran Brotherhood merged in 2003. Thrivent is a Fortune 500 financial organization which manages billions of dollars and serves over three million members. Services provided by Thrivent include investment services, retirement planning, business strategies, systematic giving such as "Simply Giving," partners with "Habitat for Humanity," and offers to each church a set amount of money to be used for projects that will benefit its members each year. Thrivent provides Baptismal medallions and Confirmation crosses for our congregation free of charge.

In 2006, Thrivent gave 90% of the funds needed for "Habitat for Humanity" to build a home in Albuquerque for a mother with two children. It offered \$1,600 to Faith Lutheran Church for projects such as buying chairs for and redecorating our Fellowship Hall and helping to buy a refrigerator for our kitchen. Thrivent encourages church members to work together to foster good relations, to get acquainted with other members and to help one another. That is one reason why they request that at least six Thrivent households are represented in working on each project. Non-members are willing to help are always welcome as well.

Ideas for similar projects for 2007 should be submitted to the Congregational Coordinating Committee in writing by **May 15**. Please include with your submission the six member household names who will be working with you.

Faith Lutheran Congregational Coordinators are Anita Austin, Chairman 296-0308, Marcia Pacheco 292-0692, and Duane DeWerff 298-1029.



These military personnel are family and friends for whom you wish prayers. Please call the church office to add (x) or delete names.

Those in military service are:

James Beakley	Ben Dufay	Chris Johnson x	Charles Schneider
Matt Borst	Ryan Fenn	Curtis Johnson x	Gregg Silva
Andrew Brabson	Linda Field	Adam Lawrence	Jerry Simmons
John Cawthorne	Tabitha Golden	Dennis G. Long	James Zurzolo
Tyler Donnell	James Hansen	Thomas Nagy	
Chris Donnelly	Chris Hinnerichs	Mort Packer	
August Dudley	Gary Hogan x	Jason Padilla x	



## Storehouse Food Drive

Faith Lutheran Church supports the Storehouse by donating cans of tuna on a regular basis. When the Storehouse runs short of food, they purchase needed items from Roadrunner Food Bank at a discounted price. As we turn our thoughts during Lent to our Lord's suffering, death and Resurrection, may we reach out with compassion to those in need in our community.



March is an excellent time to extend our food donations to the Storehouse and we encourage you to bring other canned and boxed food items... *in addition to tuna!* Please do not bring any

food items in glass containers, and remember to check the expiration dates! Look for the marked boxes in the Centrum. We will collect food for the Storehouse from **March 4 through April 1**.

Thank you for your generosity!

Mission and Service Ministry Team

## I scream, You scream, We all scream for Ice Cream!

It's time for more food fun for a good cause. My name is Chelsea Myers, and I'm a member of Faith helping to raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society through Team in Training. We will run the San Diego Rock & Roll Marathon in June. Because my last fundraiser at ITZ was such a success (thanks to all who participated), I'm planning another event at Ben and Jerry's.



On **Friday, March 23**, from **5-10pm**, I'll be scooping ice cream at Ben and Jerry's on Academy (by Smith's and Wal-Mart) for tips and 10% of profits that night. No fliers this time--just drop in for ice cream and fun. Of all the money I raise, 75% will go directly to leukemia research and patient services. For more information about Team in Training or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, go to [www.teamintraining.org](http://www.teamintraining.org) or [www.leukemia.org](http://www.leukemia.org), or to my personal fundraising website <http://www.active.com/donate/tntnmp/chelseaisfast>.

Thank you!





## Casas por Cristo Mission Trip

Please keep in your prayers Faith's team of youth and adults who are going to Juarez, Mexico, to build a home for a family. The team leaves

for Mexico on Sunday, March 25 and will return on Thursday, March 29.

If you have any questions about this mission, talk to or email ([jrodriguez@faithabq.org](mailto:jrodriguez@faithabq.org)) Jeremy Rodriguez.

## Attention 8th grade confirmation students and their families!

Please mark your calendars for our **Year-end Potluck Banquet, Sunday, April 15** at 5:00 pm in Youth Room 1 and 2. Watch for signups for potluck salads, entrees and desserts, and to confirm the number of people attending from your family at the information table in the Centrum. Any questions??? Call Pam Limke at 797-7529.

## Welcome to the Lord's Table



Holy Communion Preparation

Classes for youth in Grade 5 began March 11. The third and last class will be **April 1**, from 4:00 – 5:00 pm, with First Communion being held on April 8 (Easter Sunday). A parent needs to attend. Please contact Katarina Nagy in the church office at 296-0762 if you have questions. Be sure to sign up at the Information Center!



## Believe

Help the Youth Department buy a bus with your generous donation for a wonderful CD by our very own Sydney Schneider. On sale in the Centrum between services.



## Reminder

There will be no Sunday School classes for youth or adults on March 25 and April 8.

## Save the Date!

*Vacation Bible School is coming **June 11-15!***

Volunteers are needed! Watch for more details and mark your calendars now!

## Middle School BBQ

On Saturday, **May 19** from 12:00-4:00 pm, all Middle School Youth--*that includes our new 6<sup>th</sup> grade students*--are invited to our annual end-of-

## Middle School

school-year BBQ. We will meet on the outdoor patio and in the café area and play some get-to-know-you games, then we'll eat lunch (ham-burgers, hotdogs, chips, and soda).

After lunch we will carpool over to Holiday Bowl on Lomas for some bowling at the only alley that is smoke free in Albuquerque on Saturday afternoons. Parents will need to pick their youth up from Holiday Bowl on Lomas at 4:00 pm. We will need drivers to help us carpool over to the bowling alley. The cost of this event is \$20; please sign-up and pay no later than Sunday, **May 6**.



If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact me, Dawn Selberg, at the church at 296-0762 or by e-mail ([dselberg@faithabq.org](mailto:dselberg@faithabq.org)).

## Senior Recognition

Hey High School Seniors! We at Faith want to celebrate your upcoming graduation. We will be recognizing our High School Seniors on **May 2**

## High School

during our final Youth Group meeting time. If you are interested in participating in this time of celebration, please contact Jeremy Rodriguez at 296-0762 or email me at [jrodriguez@faithabq.org](mailto:jrodriguez@faithabq.org).



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy Bible Study

Join us on Monday nights at 7:00 pm in Youth Room 3 for a study and discussion of the book 2<sup>nd</sup>

## College & Young Adults

Timothy. If you have any questions, talk to or email Jeremy Rodriguez ([jrodriguez@faithabq.org](mailto:jrodriguez@faithabq.org)). Hope to see you there!

**H2H Calendar ~ Confirmation**

March 28... NO H2H (Spring Break)

April 4... NO H2H (Holy Week)

April 11... "Doxology" Theme Night

April 18... Event Night (TBD)

# Youth Ministry

## Thinking of You on Your Special Day

### March

**25** Raymond Oates, Alan Rodney, Emma Schaefer, Gloria Thompson, Wynne Wood

**26** Darlene Cox, Leonard Schwab, Timothy Webb, Joel Wickert

**27** Kandy Berry, Paul Reynolds, Charles Rhykerd

**28** Ann Anderson, Jason Deshayes, Cheryl Mattison, Miranda Piper, James Smith

**29** JoAnne Anderson, Janice Broderick, Joseph Conner III, Mark Doering, Beverly Martin, Kathy Olson, Dawn Sandoval, Amanda Stavig

**30** Dale Abbott, Kathy Moss, Aubrie Stavig, Lucas Weingard

**31** Zachary Quartell, Robert Sigmund, Kathy Stone, Linda Towne



### April

**1** Deborah Abbott, Traci Baumann, Cassie Catton, Kelsey Hays, Michele Marcon, Andrew Morgan, Sue Petrov, Norman Siders, Kelliann Townsend

**2** Thomas Condon, Bob Sedillo, Don Soderstrom, Kathy Wilkel, Edward Woodward

**3** Michael Bittner, Eric Grossman

**4** Wayne Corbett, Patricia Larson, Andy Myers, Krystal Vikdal, Ronald Zottnick

**5** Matthew Breen, Debbie Easton, Timothy Everhard, Jr., Elizabeth Hansen, Patricia Hurley, Hans Moen, Neva Schmeckpeper, Sara Schroeder, Robert Sedam, Cathy Sorenson, Carol Spuhler, Christopher Wubbels

**6** Robert Bradley, Carolyn Donnell, Fernando Salinas

**7** Kimsey Anderson, Don Brooks, Lauren Krauss

### Reminder

There will be no Sunday School classes for youth or adults on March 25 and April 8.

### Prayer Chain

Volunteers for this ministry respond to all prayer requests by praying for the names they receive. All names are confidential unless you request the name be published in the "Prayer Needs" list each Sunday.

### Contacts:

JoAnne Abbott ~ 298-2039

Barbara Peterson ~ 898-6093

or the church office ~ 296-0762

The deadline to submit articles for the next Faith Alive is:  
8:00 am ~ Monday, March 26, 2007



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